tion of major and minor tanks is not made on any principle. After obtaining the opinions of the Revenue Commissioner and the Chief Engineer, the whole subject will be carefully examined.

SUBJECT No. 132.

Minor Tanks restoration.

Messrs. B. Kesava Iengar and Kesavadas Iengar, Belur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The minor tanks restoration scheme is not given effect to. It should be discussed and settled upon at the Local Fund Board meetings as to which tanks should be repaired in each taluk. This was being done during the time of Dewan the late Mr. Rangacharlu.

Reply of Government.—Maps are being prepared showing tanks that should be restored, and the restoration will be undertaken according to a definite scheme. The idea of entrusting this scheme to Panchayats will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 133.

Repairs to branch channels.

Mr. Padmanna, Nanjangud Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that repairs to branch channels be executed at the cost of Government.

The main channels being repaired at Government cost, it is unreasonable to require the raiyats to repair the branch channels.

Reply of Government.—The revised scheme under consideration will meet this.

SUBJECT No. 134.

Silt and weed clearing works to channels both to be done by Government.

Mr. Venkatanaranappa, Bannur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The annual repairs to the Chikka Devarayasagar, Ramaswami and other nalas are being done by Government. After the nalas are opened, the water-supply will become less in the middle of the cultivating season and crops will wither away and great loss is sustained by us. When remission is applied for, the Engineering Department say that sufficient water cannot be supplied, as weed clearing has not been done by the Revenue Department. If this small work of weed clearing is also done by Government along with the annual repairs it will be a blessing to the raiyats and the collection of the Revenue will be much facilitated. The tank water is being supplied for six months during the rainy season by the Revenue Department and for six months during summer by the Public Works Department. By this arrangement water is not properly supplied during summer and crops will wither away and raiyats sustain loss every year. It is therefore requested that the supply of water during summer also may be entrusted to the Revenue authorities. The silt of the nalas which are fed from the tank sluices is now being cleared by the raiyats themselves. It is therefore prayed that a fee of annas two per acre may be levied from every raiyat and the silt clearing work done by Government.